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Docket No.: HRA/12340

LETTER

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application - Filing Date Granted, dated April 30, 2001 (copy enclosed), Applicant encloses herewith the required Declaration and Power of Attorney for the above-identified application. A check for \$840.00 is enclosed to cover the \$130.00 late filing fee surcharge for the enclosed declaration and the \$710.00 basic filing fee.

If there are any further fees resulting from this communication not covered by the enclosed check, or if no check was enclosed, please charge the same to Deposit Account No. 18-0160, Order No. HRA/12340.

Respectfully submitted,

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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

*Filing Date Granted*

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.  
*Applicant must submit \$ 710 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).*
- The oath or declaration is missing.  
*A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.*
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 840.

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